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¶1. USINT Havana warmly welcomes and grants country clearance to the commissioners and staff of the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom. Control officer for the visit will be Political-Economic Section Chief Jim Benson (e-mail: BensonJ@state.gov, Office phone: 53-7-836-4039, Cell phone: 53-5-286-7814). Reservations have been made at the Hotel Nacional (daily rate \$63.00, breakfast included). USINT will meet and transport the delegation upon arrival. However, USINT personnel are not permitted to enter the airport arrival area, so contact will be made curbside outside the baggage area. USINT will provide local mobile phones as requested reftel.

¶2. An itinerary for the visit is being developed at this time and will be transmitted ASAP. Scenesetter and guidance requested reftel will be provided septel.

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